Central Asian Teachers of English Conference 2014
Call for Proposals and Participant Application

Keeping Learning Fresh: Sustaining Motivation in ELT
Ismaili Center of Dushanbe, Tajikistan
June 21-22, 2014

Applications and proposals for scholarships are due no later than February 10, 2014.

Conference Fee: $15 USD*
*This fee includes only participation in the conference and coffee breaks. It does not include meals, lodging, or transportation.

A limited number of full scholarships are available to cover the conference fee cost and all other expenses. Scholarship applications should be submitted to the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in the applicant's home country, as per the contact information listed below.

Please submit proposals in your home country:

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Instructions

Step 1: Complete the biographical section of the application.
Step 2: Complete the proposal section of the application.
Step 3: Submit your complete application to the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy in your home country by **February 10, 2014.**
Step 4: If you are selected to be a fully-funded CATEC 2014 participant, you will be notified on or around March 1, 2014.
Step 5: If you are not selected for full funding, you will still be able to attend the conference at your own expense. To do so, please submit your application to catec@americancouncils-tj.org by April 1, 2014.

Conference Theme: The CATEC 2014 conference will have the theme of "Keeping Learning Fresh: Sustaining Motivation in ELT." We welcome workshops, presentations, and poster sessions covering (but not limited to) the following topics: communicative activities, authentic materials, project-based learning, Computer Assisted Language Learning (CALL), English for Academic Purposes (EAP), English for Special Purposes (ESP), Content-Based Instruction (CBI), Teaching English to Young Learners (TEYL), differentiated instruction, teacher education, or others that are relevant to the general theme of motivation in English language teaching.

Scholarship Details: A limited number of full scholarships will be awarded by the Public Affairs Sections of U.S. Embassies in the region to select participants. The number of scholarships available in each country is:

Kazakhstan - 15
Kyrgyzstan - 15
Tajikistan - 30
Turkmenistan - 15
Uzbekistan - 15

These scholarships include roundtrip international and domestic transportation, the conference fee, accommodations, all meals, and visa support. Selection for these scholarships will be conducted by U.S. Embassy staff.Awardees with a strong **ability to share their knowledge** with others in their home country will be given preference, along with teachers from rural areas. Applicants that are not selected for full scholarships are still invited to apply to attend the conference, but they must pay a conference fee of $15 USD in addition to all travel and lodging expenses.

Biographical Information

1) Home Country (select one):

Kazakhstan ☐ Kyrgyzstan☐Tajikistan☐ Turkmenistan ☐ Uzbekistan☐

2) Full Name:

First Name:	
Middle Name:	
Last Name:	

3) Contact Information:

Street Address:	
City:	
E-mail Address:	
Home Telephone:	
Cellular Telephone:	

4) Current Work Address:

Company or School Name:	
Your Title:	
Street Address:	
City:	
Telephone:	

5) Work History:

Previous Employer	Position Held	Dates of Employment

6) Educational History:

University/School Attended	Degree Type and Subject	Year Degree Received

7) Previous Conference Attendance, Awards Received, or Professional Development Experiences

Conferences/Awards/Professional Development Activities	Location and Date

8) Are you a member of any teacher's associations? If so, please list them below:

9) If accepted, would you like your name and e-mail address published in the CATEC 2014 conference program?

☐Yes   ☐No

10) I understand that if I receive a scholarship to attend CATEC 2014, I will be required to facilitate a replication workshop in my home community. My CATEC certificate will be held until I provide a short report to the U.S. Embassy.

☐Yes   ☐No

Proposal Details

Participants selected for full funding to attend CATEC 2014 will be expected to contribute in some way to the academic content of the conference. You can elect to contribute to the conference in one of three ways: by developing and leadinga workshop, by giving a talk or presentation on research you have conducted, or by creating and displaying a poster on a topic relevant to the conference theme.Please read the descriptions of these types of activities below.

Conference Theme -Keeping Learning Fresh: Sustaining Motivation in ELT

1) Workshop (40 min) a workshop is designed to include the audience in a variety of activities which relate directly to the chosen topic. The presenter spends a minimal amount of time lecturing. Instead, the emphasis is on the participants' activity, which should result in the participants solving a problem, developing a skill or technique, or addressing an issue. Your summary for the conference program should include a brief statement of your reason for giving this workshop, a description of the tasks to be performed and a summary of the theoretical framework. You should also prepare all the necessary handouts.

2) Talk (presentation) (20 min) a talk (presentation) usually describes research or practice which is relevant to the theme of the conference. This can be the most boring of all conference presentations if the presenter just reads the paper and does not interact with the audience. Rather, the presenter should deliver an oral summary of the paper while making eye contact with the audience and occasional references to notes. Presenters often use visuals and LCD projectors. Your summary for the conference program should include a brief summary of the talk, the central idea, supporting your evidence and a conclusion. You should also prepare all the necessary handouts

3) Poster session (60 min) a poster session is an exhibit on a large display board which includes a title, the name and affiliation of the presenter(s), and a brief text with clearly labeled photographs, drawings, graphs and/or charts. Many of these self-explanatory posters will be displayed at the same time and place, so conference participants can come and have informal discussions with the presenters. Before the scheduled session, all presenters set-up their poster exhibits and then remove them after the session. Presenters should bring with them EVERYTHING they need to set-up their poster exhibit. Your summary for the conference program should include a brief statement of your reason for choosing the theme of your poster and a description of the main ideas. You should also prepare all the necessary handouts.

Please note that based on your proposal and the logistics of the event, you may be asked by the conference organizers to participate on a panel or to change the type of your contribution.

All submissions must be original work. All submissions will be checked for originality.

1) Type and Title of Contribution:

Workshop ☐Presentation/Talk ☐Poster☐

Title of Contribution (10 words or less):

Will your workshop, presentation, or poster session be lead by you **individually**☐ or **in cooperation with a partner**☐? If you plan on cooperating with another CATEC applicant, please provide his/her name below. Please note that only individual proposals or proposals involving two contributors will be accepted.

Partner's Name:	
Work Address:	
E-mail Address:	
Telephone:	

Context of Instruction:
☐ Primary School ☐ Secondary School ☐ Adult Education ☐ University

Practical Application:
☐ Classroom Teaching ☐ Testing ☐ Curriculum and Materials Development
☐ Teacher Training ☐ Program Administration

2) Information for Conference Program:

In 50 words or less, please give a brief description of how you would like your contribution to be described in the conference program.

3) Equipment Needed for Conference Contribution:

Please check the boxes of any equipment you will need for your workshop, presentation, or poster.

☐ LCD Projector   ☐ CD Player/Speakers ☐ Laptop Computer

☐ Whiteboard   ☐ Flipcharts   ☐ Other:

4) In 30 words or less, please state how you would like to be introduced to your audience and in the conference agenda. This could include the university you graduated from, the number of years you have been teaching, your current position and place of employment, and/or your specialization or any affiliations you have.

5) Abstract (maximum 250 words):

In 250 words or less, please describe your planned contribution to CATEC 2014. You should include information on what you will be presenting and on how it is important to the conference theme of motivation in English language teaching.

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